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July 17, 2003

Honorable Deborah Taylor Tate
Chairman
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**RE: PETITION OF CHATTANOOGA GAS COMPANY, NASHVILLE GAS COMPANY, A
DIVISION OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC., AND UNITED CITIES
GAS COMPANY, A DIVISION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION FOR A
DECLARATORY RULING REGARDING THE COLLECTIBILITY OF THE GAS COST
PORTION OF UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS UNDER THE PURCHASED GAS
ADJUSTMENT ("PGA") RULES
Docket No. 03-00209**

Dear Chairman Tate:

Please be advised that yesterday, I filed a Issues List intended for docket number 03-00209. However, the cover letter incorrectly noted the docket number as 03-00313 even though the caption of the case was correct and the Issues List correctly noted the proper docket number. Pursuant to the request from the TRA staff, I would respectfully request that the Issues List be filed in the correct docket (Docket Number 03-00209). I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (615) 532-3382. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

cc: Lynn Questell, Esq.
Hearing Officer
All Parties of Record

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IN RE:

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DOCKET NO. 03-00209

Comes Paul G. Summers, the Attorney General for the State of Tennessee, through the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General (hereinafter "Consumer Advocate "), Intervenor in the above-referenced docket and proposes the following issues pursuant to the Notice of Procedural Schedule issued on July 2, 2003 by Lynn Questell, Pre-Hearing Officer:

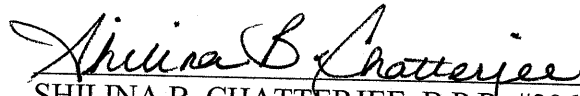
1. Whether the gas costs portion of uncollectible accounts is recoverable through the Tennessee Regulatory Authority's Purchase Gas Adjustment Rules and Regulations?
2. Whether inclusion of the gas costs portion of uncollectible accounts in the Purchase

Gas Adjustment (PGA) also requires inclusion of forfeited discounts in the Purchase Gas Adjustment (PGA) and the Annual Cost Adjustment (ACA)?

3. Whether the inclusion of the gas costs portion of uncollectible accounts in the Purchase Gas Adjustment (PGA) requires a change in the definition of the annual cost adjustment (ACA)? Under the Purchase Gas Adjustment Rules, the ACA definition (Tenn. Reg. 1220-4-7-.03(1)(c) states:

The ACA shall be the difference between (1) revenues billed customers by means of the Gas Charge Adjustment and (2) the cost of gas invoiced the Company by Suppliers plus margin loss (if allowed by order of the Commission in another docket) as reflected in the Deferred Gas Cost Account.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,


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Dated: July 16, 2003

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via hand delivery or facsimile on July 16, 2003

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